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SUBJ: COGEMA ACCEPTANCE OF SPENT NUCLEAR FUEL
SHIPPING CASKS.

REF: STATE 230601

1. IN PREVIOUS CONTACTS COGEMA HAS INDICATED THAT
REQUIRED ON-SITE HANDLING OF SPENT FUEL CASKS AT
THE LA HAGUE REPROCESSING PLANT IS ONE OF THEIR MOST
DELICATE OPERATIONS, WHICH HAS LED TO RELATIVELY
HIGH ACCUMULATED RADIATION DOSES FOR THEIR STAFF.
THEREFORE, THEY EXPECT TO RELY ON THEIR IMPROVED
AND SPECIALLY DESIGNED CASK WHICH WILL MINIMIZE

THIS PROBLEM. ALSO, THEY INDICATED THAT IN THE
FUTURE THEY EXPECT TO USE DRY SPENT FUEL TRANSFER
METHODS.

2. REGARDLESS OF WHETHER OR NOT A CASK MEETS ALL
COGNIZANT REGULATORY APPROVALS, IT WILL BE VERY
DIFFICULT FOR ANY OUTSIDER TO GAIN ACCEPTANCE OF
HIS CASK BY COGEMA. IN ESSENCE, THE FRENCH ENJOY A
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MONOPOLY SITUATION IN REPROCESSING, AND THEIR CON-
TRACTS UNDOUBTEDLY GIVE THEM THE RIGHT OF APPROVAL
OF SHIPPING CASKS. IT SHOULD BE EXPECTED THAT THEY
WILL EXERCISE THIS RIGHT TO MAKE IT VERY DIFFICULT
TO USE AT LA HAGUE ANY OTHER THAN FRENCH CASKS OR
CASKS MADE UNDER COGEMA'S LICENSE.
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